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COLLINSVILLE MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO TWO BANK ROBBERIES

Edward E. McNally, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that in the U.S. District Court in East St. Louis, Illinois, that **GREGORY D. McKINNEY**, age 38, of Collinsville, Illinois, pled guilty to an indictment and a criminal information both charging him with separate bank robberies, both in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a).

Each offense carries with it a maximum penalty of not more than 20 years' imprisonment, or a \$250,00 fine, or both, and at least 2 years', but not more than 3 years' supervised release. Sentencing is scheduled for April 24, 2006, in East St. Louis, Illinois.

According to the Stipulation of Facts presented at the time of the plea, the Defendant robbed the Bank of Edwardsville, in Granite City, Illinois, on April 20, 2005, and escaped with \$3,530. A still photograph from the video surveillance camera was used to focus the investigation on **McKINNEY**. A broadcast of the still photograph was also used to solve the April 15, 2005, robbery of the Central West End Bank in St. Louis, Missouri. In that robbery, \$1590 was taken.

The investigation was conducted by the Granite City, Illinois, Police Department, the St. Louis, Missouri, Metropolitan Police Department, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The case was handled by Assistant United States Attorney Richard H. Lloyd.